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Dear Mr. Webb,

My good friend Bill Reichter tells me he has been in touch with you and about me and/or my work. I do not assume that your paper any more than any other has or can have any interest in the assassinations. The record is much too clear on that.

However, there are a few records you may want to have. I enclose them.

Please excuse my typing. If Bill did not tell you, I'm 84 and am lucky to be surviving as much as I have for as long as I have. It does leave me feeble.

I know of the campaign against you in the Wx Post and have an inkling of what the NY and LA Times have done.

It happens that my file tells a story about what the LA Times finds not only worth printing but worth syndicating. When the most rudimentary check would have disclosed that Exner was lying her head off. But the papers and TV liked her lies so much they did no checking.

The CIA would not have disclosed to me what I enclose if it had dared use with Justice the claptrap it had contrived to refuse to provide me with anything at all.

Not only does the CIA say that no Kennedy knew about that mafia plot of the Eisenhower administration, I enclose the first knowledge we know any Kennedy had, the Hoover memo on it.

I have a fat FBI file on that. It would make an interesting magazine article. It had to do with Momo Giancana believing that Phyllis McGuire was two-timing him with Dan Martin. It was the wire man the CIA provided who got caught in Vegas.

Of course the Post and the NY Times, both of which knew the truth, clobbered the LA Times over this lie that was intended to damage the reputation of the assassinated president.

It was this business that was the subject of the Johnson statement that there had been a conspiracy of which the CIA was part.

Thanks for the good job you did.

Best wishes,

Harold Weisberg